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Mr. Arnold Hayes
ESQUIRE Magazine
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Dear Mr. Hayes:

Clay Felker, Features Editor of ESQUIRE, sent me a galley proof of a story on the Central Intelligence Agency and intelligence which ESQUIRE is said to have scheduled for publication in the September issue. This letter is to acknowledge receipt of the galley proof and to again make clear to ESQUIRE that CIA neither controls nor passes upon articles about the Agency, nor do we confirm the accuracy or dispute the inaccuracy of what may be written about the Agency. The Agency does not clear articles for publication. In some instances where articles are submitted, we check them from the standpoint of national security but never from the standpoint of accuracy.

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The Central Intelligence Agency does not approve the article regarding the CIA which ESQUIRE has scheduled for its September issue.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

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cc: ✓ General Counsel
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